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Dear Fisher,

I return the draft of the letter to Nature. I have made no alterations at all: it seems quite admirable and exactly what I should have wished.

If you are sending it in, will you order 75 reprints for me? I expect you will be ordering some for yourself, so be sure to let me know the cost of my share when you get the bill.

I was talking to Le Gros

Clark about these turtle-lets, and he made the useful suggestion that it might be worth while getting Banks of the Sarawak Museum interested. Several of the species are common in Borneo, and in addition are often kept as pets: so he might be able to get data on quite large numbers of one or two species.

I know Banks, and could write about this. But it might be well to wait until we get the reprints, and enclose one.

By the way, when I said I made no alterations, I forgot the wholly unimportant one that I altered the spelling of orang-utan from the more frequent, but less correct, orang-outang.

This is a Malay word, and means 'man of the forest.'

'utan' = 'forest' (or 'wild').

'outang' is a perfectly distinct word and signifies, I think, 'a debtor'.

Yours sincerely,
E. B. Ford